

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2031 - SB 2224

February 21, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides for the popular election of the judges of the Supreme Court beginning in the year 2006 and requires statewide political parties to nominate candidates by primary election.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures - Not Significant
Increase Local Govt. Expenditures* - Exceeds \$100,000

Assumes some decrease in the costs for certain functions of the Judicial Evaluation Commission related to the selection of Supreme Court judges. It is estimated that the provisions of the bill requiring all counties to have a May primary election will increase local government expenditures in an amount exceeding \$100,000.

**Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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